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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS-- Jennifer Kinner and her University of Wyoming Nordic ski team members now can call themselves back-to-back national champions. The UW women took team honors while Kinner won all three individual races for the second straight year, and again was named the USCSSA's overall top individual skier. The UW men's team finished third. [Read the story.](#) (UW Photo)

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TIMES SET FOR SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR'S VISIT TO UW

March 8, 2004 -- Times are set for United States Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's March 16 visit to the University of Wyoming.

She will give a public talk on "Professionalism and Ethics" at 2:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center concert hall. At 3 p.m., Justice O'Connor and retired U.S. Sen. Alan K. Simpson will discuss key issues during a face-to-face dialogue.

Prior to the public program, she will sign copies of her books "The Majesty of The Law: Reflections of A Supreme Court Justice" and "Lazy B: Growing up on a Cattle Ranch in the American Southwest," beginning at 1:45 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center lobby. Copies of the books will be available for purchase at the site.

O'Connor became the Supreme Court's 102nd justice in 1981 after being nominated by President Ronald Reagan.

She grew up on her family's 198,000-acre cattle ranch on the Arizona/New Mexico border and attended school in El Paso, Texas. In 1952, she graduated from Stanford Law School and married fellow law student John O'Connor. They settled in Phoenix, Ariz.

Justice O'Connor served as an Arizona assistant attorney general from 1965 to 1969, when she was appointed to the Arizona Senate. In 1974, she ran successfully for trial judge, a position she held until she was appointed to the Arizona Court of Appeals in 1979. She served 18 months before accepting President Reagan's nomination.

UW COWGIRLS, KINNER REPEAT AS NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

March 8, 2004 -- Jennifer Kinner and her University of Wyoming Nordic ski team members now can call themselves back-to-back national champions.

The Cowgirls made it a clean sweep at the United States Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Association (USCSSA) national championships in Sugarloaf, Maine, Saturday, winning the fourth and final race. Kinner, a Casper senior, who earlier swept all three individual races, led UW to first place in the 3x5 kilometer relay event in a time of 50:39. Other relay team members were Brooke Umphlett, senior, Casper, and Kristen Boroff, junior, Pinedale. Clarkson College of Potsdam, N.Y., placed second at 52:13 and Cornell University was next at 53:10.

The UW women took team honors with 33 points, outdistancing Clarkson, which had 69 points, for the second straight season. Third went to Cornell with 94.

Kinner won all three individual races for the second straight year, and again was named the USCSSA's overall individual skier.

"The women were simply awesome. They stamped their mark during the first race and never looked back," says UW coach Christi Boggs, technology coordinator in the UW College of Education. "Jennifer won all the individual events, and if someone had a bad race, the next girl would just step up and move on. Putting five women in the top eight overall is absolutely amazing," Boggs says.

To be considered for All-America status, a skier must place among the top 10 in individual point production from the three races, the 1 km skate sprint race, the 15 km classic and the 8.5 km skate interval. The top five individuals are named to the first team and the sixth through 10th skiers are placed on the second team. Also earning All-America status for the UW Cowgirls were Boroff, third place overall; Melissa Gangl, freshman, Casper, fourth; Umphlett, seventh; and Erika Edgely, junior, Lake Placid, N.Y., eighth.

The UW Cowboys finished third in the nation behind Clarkson College and Cornell University. Clarkson had 36 team points, Cornell 76 and the Cowboys 92.

Clarkson won the week's final team race, the 3x5 km relay, in 41:54, Cornell's time was 42:21 and UW finished at 44:02.

Steady Riley Hopeman, a junior from Lander, led three UW skiers on the All-America team. He was the fifth highest scoring individual in the USCSSA national championships. Teammates Justin Daraie and Joshua Peterson were seventh and 10th, respectively, to earn second team status. Daraie is a Casper junior and Peterson is a freshman from Lander. Hopeman, Daraie and Peterson were on the 3x5 km relay team.

"The men did well, but the field was just really strong," Boggs says. "Riley had a good nationals and our freshmen were amazing."

The Cowboy and Cowgirl ski team members also earned Academic All America status and also combined with UW's women's Alpine ski team to win the President's Award.

Named to the Academic All America first team were Peterson, Boroff and Laramie sophomore Ava Bell. Umphlett earned second team honors and Gangl and Daraie were named honorable mention.

The Cowgirls also won the President's Award, which is given to the team with the best scores from both the Nordic and Alpine ski teams. UW had 44 points, Cornell 62 and Colorado Mountain College 78. The Cowboys placed fourth in the men's competition with 147 points. Cornell won the President's Award with 63 points, Clarkson had 654 and the Air Force Academy 140.

Brandie Yeik, a second bachelor's degree candidate from Eagle, Colo., was the only UW Alpine skier to finish both giant slalom runs, placing 39th overall. In the women's slalom, Yeik was 56th; Megan Yeik, senior, also from Eagle, took 63rd; and Stacie Fredrich, junior, Rapid City, S.D., finished 83rd.

In the men's competition, Nicholas Houfek, sophomore, Big Piney, had the highest UW finish at 60th; Ryan Poulin, freshman, East Winthrop, Maine, was 74th; and Hunter Maddox, junior, Steamboat Springs, Colo., was 82nd.

WYOMING BUSINESS TIPS FOR MARCH 14-20

A weekly look at Wyoming business questions from the Wyoming Small Business Development Center (WSBDC) at the University of Wyoming.

By Arlene Soto, WSBDC Region 4 Director

I'm retiring from my job soon, is starting a business right for me? Jerry, Casper.

Many people who retire choose to continue working in one way or another. Starting a business is one option and you'll need to ask yourself several questions to determine if it's the right one for you.

First, it's important to know if you have the right resources to start and operate a business successfully. Resources include good health, access to money, the ability to produce a product or service, a market for selling, a distribution channel, information on running a business, ability to make sales and the support of family members who will be impacted by the business operation. Find a good business startup guide through the library, a local WSBDC counselor or local SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) counselor. To locate the free, confidential counseling services nearest to you, visit the Small Business Administration Web site at www.sba.gov or locate the telephone number in the government pages.

Next, it is important to look at the feasibility of the business you would like to start. A business is not feasible unless a product or service can be offered to enough customers at a price they are willing to pay and which will cover business costs and create a profit for the business owner. That is difficult to determine without doing research and writing a business plan. Hundreds of resources exist to help with writing a business plan including books, classes, consultants, software packages and Internet sites. A good starting point is the SBDC or SCORE or visit the Web site www.aarpsmallbiz.com

Finally, a business idea is just a dream until it's put into action. Set some goals for when the business will start and ask local authorities what business licenses or permits might be needed in your area. Talk with a banker, accountant, attorney and insurance professional to set up the systems needed in a business. Create the business entity and start promoting the business to find the customers willing to buy.

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